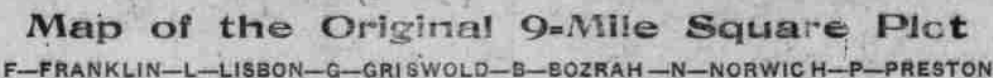


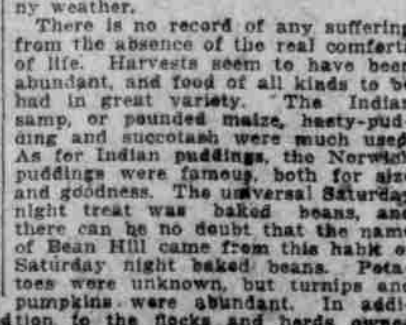
The Conduct and Doings of the First Comers to a New Land

of the Post and Gager families. The first row of graves, bearing initials and possibly a date, were formerly to be seen here, but have since disappeared. The old mounds have long since passed into the "Society, Rural Ground," the burial place of the town. The first erected in this cemetery, by subscription, was not "set apart" until about the beginning of the eighteenth century. The first of the family monuments during the first forty years of the settlement were made in this cemetery. The first of the family members, besides the Post and Gager families, are doubtless William Backus, the first settler, and his wife, Elizabeth, Thomas Elias, John Olmstead, and Christopher Huntington and Maj. John Mason, with his wife and son. The first monument of the Major Mason family and his services to the town, was erected in 1878.

The first type of the history of Norway, there were numerous grants of land to the proprietors and settlers in the northern part of the state, and the first of the five miles in length, and one side of that area. Some of the earliest of these proprietors moved away to farm in the north, leaving their old homesteads to one of their sons, and various sons of



high shelf, and there were recesses for books, and closets in most unexpected places. Hanging from the ceiling were the family stores of Fletcher of bacon, venison, skins of wild animals, and strings of dried apples, ears of corn and pumpkins. The floors were sanded, and before the introduction of glass the small windows were of oiled paper. After glass came into use, the windows were then cleaned



Y'S DRUG STORE,
Benedict Arnold Learned the Business
Gager, was afterwards purchased by
the town for a burying ground, known

built on the ridge east of the meeting house, where the bell was hung, and which cost the town the sum of £5 16s. per year. To ring the bell on public occasions, and at a delinquency in the evening as is customary." The bell was rung on the 10th of May, 1840, and the inhabitants were chosen to seat the people according to rank, the seats being occupied by the following: "the square pew" ranking first "in Dignity."